# CHEVY CHASE VILLAGE BOARD OF MANAGERS SEPTEMBER 14, 2015

#### STAFF REPORT

TO:

BOARD OF MANAGERS

FROM:

SHANA R. DAVIS-COOK, VILLAGE MANAGER

DATE:

8/28/2015

SUBJECT: VILLAGE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE FRIENDSHIP HEIGHTS

TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### Background

The Village is afforded seats on the Friendship Heights Transportation Management District Advisory Committee (FHTMDAC), which is comprised of 14 voting representatives of the business, residential, and development communities, and several non-voting representatives.

The Village's representative to the FHTMDAC since 2011, Mr. James Calderwood (Western Avenue), has resigned from his position as the Village's representative due to his recent appointment by Governor Hogan to serve as Chair of the Maryland Transportation Commission. Mr. Calderwood anticipates that there may be conflicts between the two groups that would preclude him from serving on both.

#### About the FHTMDAC

The FHTMDAC is one of four TMDs in Montgomery County, which provide advice and recommendations to the TMD staff, the Department of Transportation, and the County Executive on the transportation system, including transit issues and pedestrian safety, and TMD-related policies, programs, and operations. The three others are Silver Spring, Bethesda, and North Bethesda. The County has established a fifth TMD in Greater Shady Grove, now in the early stages of planning and implementation. The FHTMDAC meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month (except August) at the Wisconsin Place Community Center, 2nd floor conference room, 5311 Friendship Boulevard, Chevy Chase, Maryland. Meetings are from 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM. The County Executive appoints all TMD members.

#### Proposed Village Representative

Mr. Calderwood suggested a colleague to fill his position representing the Village on the FHTMDAC, Mr. Charles Simpson of Grafton Street. Mr. Simpson has agreed to represent the Village. Chief Fitzgerald also serves as our staff representative for public safety. A copy of Mr. Simpson's *curriculum vitae* is attached for your reference.

#### **Draft Motion**

I move to authorize the Board Chair to execute a letter to the County Executive recommending appointment of Mr. Charles Simpson of Grafton Street to serve as the Village's representative to the Friendship Heights Transportation Management District Advisory Committee.

Attachment James' Calderwood's Resignation Letter Charles Simpson's Curriculum Vitae James A. Calderwood 5518 Western Avenue Chevy Chase, MD 20815

July 21, 2015

The Honorable Isiah Leggett County Executive Montgomery County Maryland Rockville, MD 20850

Re: Membership on Friendship Heights Transportation

<u>Management District Advisory Committee</u>

Dear Executive Leggett:

This is to inform you that I am resigning as the Community Representative of Chevy Chase Village to the Friendship Heights Transportation District Advisory Committee (FHTDAC). I was honored in June 2011 when you nominated me to this position and I was confirmed by the County Council.

The Governor has recently appointed me to the Maryland Transportation Commission and designated me as the Chair. I feel I should resign from the FHTDAC so as to avoid any conflict that could arise.

I have enjoyed my service on the FHTDAC and have been very impressed with fellow Committee members who have each taken their positions seriously and contributed to the analysis of the various issues that have arisen. I want to particularly note the outstanding work of James Carlson of the Montgomery County Commuter Services Office who has provided excellent staff work and served the FHTDAC well.

Let me also thank you for nominating me in 2011.

James A. Calderwood

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Sincerely,

cc: Michael L. Denger, Chair, Chevy Chase Village Board of Managers Shana R. Davis-Cook, Village Manager, Chevy Chase Village Chief John Fitzgerald, Chief, Chevy Chase Village Police James Carlson, Montgomery County Commuter Services

## CHARLES J. SIMPSON, JR.

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Charles Simpson and his family have lived in Chevy Chase Village since 1994. Prior to moving to the Village, Mr. Simpson and his family lived in the Edgemoor area of Bethesda, where he served as Vice President of the Edgemoor Citizens Association. He and his wife, Pamela Raymont-Simpson, have two grown sons.

Mr. Simpson has been a partner in the Washington, DC, law firm of Zuckert, Scoutt & Rasenberger since 1985. Mr. Simpson advises airlines, governmental bodies and other aviation-related entities in such areas as government regulation, international bilateral and multilateral relations, commercial transactions, antitrust, litigation and bankruptcy.

Mr. Simpson is the past president of the International Aviation Club and was a founding member of the Board of Directors of the Chilean-American Chamber of Commerce of Washington. He was a member of the delegations of the Government of Chile and the Government of Turkey in those countries' bilateral negotiations with the United States that produced open skies air transport agreements.

Mr. Simpson received his bachelor's degree *magna cum laude* from Tufts University in 1974 and his law degree from Georgetown University in 1979. He is a member of the Bar of the District of Columbia and is admitted to practice before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit and the U.S. Supreme Court. He is an avid sailor.

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